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SUBJECT:VISIT OF MR. THOMAS A. CALLAGHAN JR.

REF: NATO 2764

1. STATE AND DOD CONCUR IN MISSION'S RECOMMENDATION (REF A) FOR MR. CALLAGHAN TO ATTEND THE NATO INDUSTRIAL ADVISORY GROUP MEETING 9-10 JUNE, THE NATO DEFENSE RESEARCH GROUP MEETING 11-13 JUNE (IN ST. LOUIS, FRANCE) AND THE US DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL ADVISORY GROUP, EUROPE MEETING 17 JUNE.

2. MR. CALLAGHAN WILL BE MAKING THE TRIP UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF ISA. HE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS THE SUBSTANCE OF HIS REPORT, TO OBTAIN INFORMATION RELATED TO HIS ONGOING STUDY OF THE SUBJECT AND TO MAKE HIS CONSIDERABLE EXPERTISE IN THIS AREA AVAILABLE IN SUPPORT OF ALLIANCE RATIONALIZATION/STANDARDIZATION EFFORTS.

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2. THE CALLAGHAN REPORT WAS DONE UNDER THE JOINT SPONSOR-

SHIP OF STATE AND DOD AS AN INDEPENDENT STUDY OF THE SUBJECT. THE SPONSORS DO NOT NECESSARILY SUPPORT ALL OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN IT. MR. CALLAGHAN'S EFFORTS, HOWEVER, HAVE BEEN FAR RANGING IN

THIS FIELD AND MANY ASPECTS OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND EUROPEAN INDUSTRY AS WELL AS NATO STANDARDIZATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED.

3. DURING THIS TRIP MR. CALLAGHAN WILL BE TRAVELING IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE AUTHOR OF THE REPORT, NOT AS AN OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE USG. DURING HIS DISCUSSIONS, THE FACT THAT THE REPORT DOES NOT REPRESENT A USG POSITION MUST BE MADE CLEAR. WE BELIEVE THERE MUST BE MORE RESEARCH DONE ON THE CALLAGHAN AND OTHER PROPOSALS BEFORE THE US GOVERNMENT CAN ESTABLISH A POSITION ON THE GENERAL SUBJECT.

4. BELOW IS THE ITINERARY FOR MR. CALLAGHAN'S TRIP:

DEPART WASH 7 JUNE
ARR BRUSSELS 8 JUNE

DEP BRUSSELS 10 JUN
ARR BASEL 10 JUN
(ATTEND DRG MEETING IN ST. LOUIS)

DEP BASEL 13 JUN
ARR BRUSSELS 13 JUNE

DEP BRUSSELS 18 JUN
ARR WASH 18 JUN

5. FOR USCINCEUR: REQUEST THEATER CLEARANCE.

6. FOR PARIS: THIS MESSAGE FYI, SINCE CALLAGHAN WILL MAKE OWN ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRAVEL TO DRG.

7. FOREGOING IS JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE.

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